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REMARKS

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1. On 2 May 1952, a sentry wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia and about 80 soldiers, who were drilling with carbines, were seen in the Alte Infanterie Kaserne on August Bebel Strasse, Burg (N 53/Y 81). No other activities were noticed in the billeting area. Fourteen to 16 tanks covered with canvas were in an open shed. Eight of the tanks were provided with muzzle brakes. About 20 trucks were parked in two other open sheds. 50X1-HUM

the majority of the troops remained in their quarters and that only a few tanks had been entrained.

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2. On 2 May, the Neue Infanterie Kaserne on Zerbster Strasse quartered about 300 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. No activity was noticed. About 200 troops were seen in the adjacent training area engaged in field training with small arms and sharp-shooting practice with carbines and machine guns. the majority of the 50X1-HUM
artillery troops from there were at Altengrabow (N 53/Z 00).
identified between the barracks installation and Altengrabow

3. On 7 May, the Alte Infanterie Kaserne on August Bebel Strasse was occupied by a heavy rear unit of about 50 officers and 300 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets, mostly with tank insignia. Some wore artillery insignia. One lieutenant colonel with tank insignia was the ranking officer. A canvas-covered T-34 tank stood in the barracks yard. Trucks were seen 50X1-HUM
leaving the installation toward the Krachenberge training area and returning to the installation.

4. On 7 May, the Neue Infanterie Kaserne on Zerbster Strasse was occupied by troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. Almost all quarters were lighted after dusk. About 30 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia engaged in fatigue duty and another 30 soldiers

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drilled in formation in the barracks yard. A colonel with artillery insignia was the ranking officer.

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* Comment. [redacted] an SP gun battalion of the 136th Gds Hvy Tank SP Regt of the Third Shock Army can still be carried in the Alte Infanterie Kaserne after 21 April 1952. Most of the units of the regiment moved to the Letzling Heath during the second half of April 1952, taking along a total of 30 JSU-249 gun and 10 JS-3 tanks. 50X1-HUM

** Comment. The information [redacted] on the occupation of the Neue Infanterie Kaserne does not concur. [redacted] it appears that no essential changes regarding the occupation have occurred. [redacted] it is possible that elements of the artillery unit 50X1-HUM carried there, presumably of the Third Shock Army or of the LXXIX Itz Rifle Corps, possibly of the unidentified AAA Regt of the corps, are absent 50X1-HUM from the post for practices. [redacted] 50X1-HUM It is known from previous information that components of the 44th (?) Army Arty Brig are permanently stationed at Altengrabow. [redacted]

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